

b. a second, default transmission system provided as an integral component of the device;

c. a detector for detecting the presence of a first transmission system; and

d. a control system for selecting the first transmission system whenever it is present and for selecting the default transmission system whenever the first transmission system is not present.--

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--46. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 45 further comprising a verification device for confirming the operability of the first transmission system, once detected, and wherein the control system is operable to select the default transmission system whenever the first transmission system is inoperable.--

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--47. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 45, wherein said detector is adapted for detecting the physical presence of the first transmission system interface.--

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--48. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 45 wherein said detector comprises a switch having an activated position and a deactivated position, and wherein the presence of a first transmission interface engages the switch to move it from the deactivated position to the activated position.--

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--49. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 48 wherein said detector is a signal detector operable to initiate transmission in the presence of a predetermined signal.--

--50. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 49 wherein said predetermined signal is a voltage level.--

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--51. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 49 wherein said predetermined signal is an audio signal.--

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--52. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 45 wherein the input signal is a data signal.--

--53. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 45 wherein the input signal is an audio signal.--

--54. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 45 further comprising a plurality of input signal formats comprising a data signal and an audio signal, the apparatus further comprising a signal detector for determining whether the input signal is a data signal or an audio signal.--

--55. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 54 wherein the control system selects the first transmission system if the signal is a data signal and selects the second transmission system if the signal is an audio signal.--

--56. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 45 wherein one of said transmissions systems comprises a wired transmission system.--

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--57. (Added) An apparatus in accordance with claim 45 wherein one of said transmission systems comprises a wireless transmission system.--

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--58. (Added) An apparatus for selecting one of a plurality of transmission systems for transmitting an input signal captured by a remote device, comprising:

- a. a portable handset transceiver;
- b. a connector for connecting the handset transceiver to a first transmission system interface;
- c. a second, default transmission system provided as an integral component of the device;
- d. a detector for detecting the presence of a first transmission system; and
- e. a control system for selecting the first transmission system when present and selecting the default transmission system when the first transmission system is not present.--

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--59. (Added) The apparatus of claim 58 wherein the handset transceiver is a wireless transceiver and said connector comprises an RJ-11 jack for connecting the handset to a wireline telephone system.--

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--60. (Added) The apparatus of claim 58 wherein said handset transceiver is a wireless transceiver comprises a local area network connection.--

--61. (Added) The apparatus of claim 58 wherein said handset transceiver is a wireless transceiver and wherein said connector comprises an Ethernet connection.--

--62. (Added) The apparatus of claim 58 wherein said connector is a modular 8-pin jack.--

--63. (Added) The apparatus of claim 58 wherein said connector comprises an RJ-45 jack.--

It is respectfully submitted that the claims be allowed and favorable action is respectfully requested. Please charge any additional payments of fees for prosecution of the above-identified application to Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 50-0259 (069834.000012).

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